

**Grace Anglican Church
Galesburg, Illinois 61401**

Funeral and Burial plans

The purpose of this statement is 1) to assure that my death is my final witness to everlasting life in Jesus Christ and to the Christian belief in the resurrection of the dead, and 2) to relieve those loved ones who would otherwise be burdened with this most personal task.

Copies of this signed statement should be made available to:

1. My parish priest
2. My attorney at law
3. The funeral director of my choosing
4. Various family members so they will know my wishes in these matters

Please Note:

In filling out this form, bear in mind that:

1. Anglicans are usually to be buried from the church and not from a funeral home.
2. Caskets are never open for the Burial Office or Mass or for public visitation in the church.
3. The principal service is to be the Mass of Christian Burial.
4. Any services of organizations should precede the Church's service at the grave, including taps and firing squads of honor. God must always have the last word.
5. Traditional teaching of the Church encourages members to remember the Church in their wills.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

Please circle those items that you wish to apply to you.

1. In the case of near death, I am not to be denied knowledge of my physical state.
2. I am not to be denied the Sacraments of the Holy Catholic Church nor the ministrations of my Parish Priest.
3. The Church will be in charge of all rites concerning my funeral arrangements. It is my desire that an Anglican Priest be in complete charge of all religious matters connected with my funeral, and that he be notified and consulted before any arrangements are made.
4. My body, if to be placed in a casket, will be dressed in plain clothing.
5. There is / is not to be a visitation.
6. If there is to be a visitation, the casket is to be opened / closed.
7. It is / is not my wish that my body be cremated following my death.

8. If my body is to be cremated, it should be taken directly from the place of death to the crematorium by the funeral director. A casket will not be necessary because my body is not to be viewed by the public following my death.
9. If my body is to be taken to the parish Church in a casket, the least expensive casket procurable is desirable.
10. There is to be a celebration of the Holy Eucharist – the Mass of Christian Burial – at my burial at the Parish Church.
11. Restraint will be exercised in the use of flowers in the church.
12. Music for the Mass of Christian Burial is to be selected by the Parish Priest from the Hymnal. I would prefer the singing of Easter hymns, particularly
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13. The Church will hold all monies given in lieu of flowers. The Church may place this money in the Memorial / Endowment fund.
14. I do / do not wish to be buried in the churchyard, following parish regulations, if my body is to be cremated.
15. My burial plot is located at:

16. My Attorney at law is:

17. My Will is located at:

18. Next of kin to be notified are:

Date

Signature

Date

Witness

Witness